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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re PATENT APPLICATION of SMITH *et al.*

Confirmation No. 3673

Appln. No.: 10/098,613

Group Art Unit: 1773

Filed: March 18, 2002

Examiner: V. Chen

For: MELT-PROCESSIBLE POLY(TETRAFLUOROETHYLENE)

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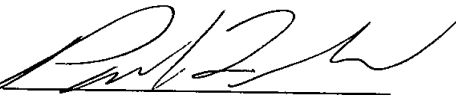
Consideration of the foregoing and enclosures plus the return of a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 with the Examiner's initials in the left column per MPEP 609 are earnestly solicited along with an early action on the merits.

Respectfully submitted,

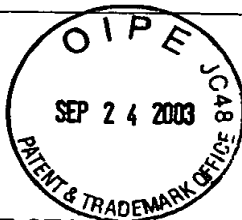
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